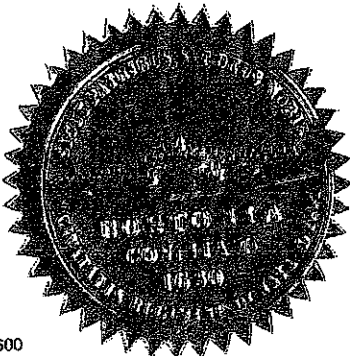


City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILLORS CHARLES C. YANCEY & CHUCK TURNER

THE BOSTON CHAPTER OF JACK AND JILL OF AMERICA, INC.

- WHEREAS: The Boston Chapter of Jack and Jill of America Inc. has provided 63-years of public service to low and moderate-income families and elders in Greater Boston; and
- WHEREAS: Jack and Jill is a non-profit organization with a mission of supporting African American children and communities; and
- WHEREAS: Jack and Jill was founded in 1938, in Philadelphia, by a group of African American women during a time in our nation's history when desegregation was the cultural norm; and
- WHEREAS: Jack and Jill brings together African American families from a range of backgrounds to create an atmosphere with social and cultural support, as well as to learn the value of community service; and
- WHEREAS: Jack and Jill youth, aged 2-18 years, each year are involved in monthly activities designed to educate them about their communities and history, to involve them in direct community action and service, to learn about their cultural heritage and to bond and have fun; and
- WHEREAS: Jack and Jill, over the years, has flourished, growing to over 1000 member families, nationwide; and
- WHEREAS: Jack and Jill's support and contributions have ranged from funding domestic violence prevention work and shelters, to creating welcome home infant baskets for new moms, to working in soup kitchens. It donates thousands of dollars annually to community-based, non-profits, which focus on the needs of low and moderate-income families; and
- WHEREAS: The Boston Chapter of Jack and Jill, which was established in 1946, has a membership of approximately 50 families dedicated to public service; and Be It Further
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, honors The Boston Chapter of Jack and Jill, Inc. hosting the Annual Northern Cluster Workday; and Be It Further
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, declares October 10, 2009 as the Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Day in the City of Boston.



By: *Thomas P. Coakley*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex S. Sountas*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Charles C. Yancey, Chuck Turner*

Date: September 30, 2009